Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to consider the matter favourably?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.— I can only say that the matter will be taken to the notice of the Government. It is too early to predict what the orders of Government will be.

Mr. President.—Government will consider it most sympathetically.

Central Rama Varma Ayurvedic Hospital— treatment of in-patients.

354. Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether there is any provision at present for treating in-patients in the Central Rama Varma Ayurvedic Hospital;

(2) if not, will the Government be pleased to make some immediate provision for the same?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(1) Yes, for a limited number provided the patients agree to live at their own expense.

(2) Does not arise.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon.—Are there beds in the hospital for any in-patients?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Not provided by the institution. The few people who lie there have to bring their own beds.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there sufficient accommodation to satisfy the needs of the institution?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—There are a few rooms available.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—How many?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.— About 4 rooms are available now for immediate use.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there demand for more rooms?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—There is demand for more.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will this matter be considered sympathetically by the Government?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—This is also one of the matters considered by the Advisory Board. Government have not definitely made up their minds.

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